



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Aiken County Career Center**  
**Grades: 11-12** **Enrollment: 375**  
**Director: Patrick W. O'Neill**  
**Board Chair: Dr. Christine Harkins**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS IN SC\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
17	13	4	3	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/17/2010. All Career Centers in South Carolina are included.

## TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at a center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
357	89.9%	86.3%

## GRADUATION RATE

The number of 12th grade career technology education students who graduate in the spring is divided by the number of 12th graders enrolled in the center and converted to a percentage.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
95	97.9%	95.4%

## PLACEMENT RATE

The number of career and technology completers who are available for placement in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment is divided into the number of students over a three-year period who are actually placed and converted to a percentage. This criterion mirrors the Perkins standard.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
232	97.4%	96.9%

## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

### READING – GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	31	44	23	2
Nation	27	43	27	2
% Below Basic    % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced ■ Below Basic    □ Basic    ■ Proficient    ■ Advanced				

### MATH – GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7
% Below Basic    % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced ■ Below Basic    □ Basic    ■ Proficient    ■ Advanced				

### SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)

South Carolina	46	31	21	2
Nation	43	30	24	3
% Below Basic    % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced ■ Below Basic    □ Basic    ■ Proficient    ■ Advanced				

## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

### 2010 Goal:

*By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.*

### 2020 Vision:

*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

### Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined  
 NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=375)			
With disabilities other than speech	13.6%	Down from 14.2%	8.2%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	34.9%	Up from 22.4%	18.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	375	Up from 317	675
Students participating in work-based experiences	61.1%	Up from 5.7%	19.7%
Teachers (n=17)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	17.6%	Down from 23.5%	28.6%
Continuing contract teachers	82.4%	No Change	73.8%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	17.6%	Up from 12.5%	19.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.6%	Down from 92.6%	91.5%
Teacher attendance rate	97.0%	Up from 96.0%	95.7%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,591	Up 3.7%	\$48,318
Professional development days/teacher	15.2 days	Up from 14.0 days	12.1 days
Center			
Director's years at Center	2.0	Up from 1.0	5.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,009	Up 6.8%	\$3,726
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	37.1%	Up from 35.0%	51.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	53.6%	Down from 53.9%	65.4%
Parents attending conferences	74.9%	Down from 92.1%	88.3%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.  
\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	137	102
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	89.7%	87.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	90.5%	77.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	85.0%	86.0%	78.0%

\* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Aiken County Career and Technology Center (ACCTC) serves the school district of Aiken County. It is available to seven high schools. The school ended the year with its highest enrollment, 375 students. The school had 133 students who became completers by completing at least four units in their technology area and were recognized with completer certificates.

ACCTC had 104 students complete industry certifications in electricity, mechatronics, welding, nail technology, cosmetology, criminal justice, and health science.

ACCTC is not only committed to making sure students have the technical skills they need but has also made strides towards improving the soft skills students need to be competitive in industry. ACCTC has created a class called Professionalism 101 to focus on soft skills and has created a Capstone Project for completers. The Career Center has also been an active member of Technical Centers That Work.

Health science had one student place in the top ten in the First Aide and Rescue Breathing competition at the National HOSA competition and the Criminal Justice program's Crime Scene Investigation team placed first at the National SkillsUSA competition. Cosmetology, Nail Technology, Computer Aided Drafting, FFA, and Health Science all had medalists at state competitions.

The largest class in the history of ACCTC, 43, was inducted into the National Technical Honor Society.

ACCTC is extremely proud of its partnerships with community businesses and industry. This collaborative effort continues to pay dividends for the students and the community. The Career Center is proud of the outstanding effort put forth by students and faculty.

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Tony Haas, SIC Chairperson

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